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#### Field Crops

For the week ending January 23, the harvest of cotton is virtually complete. Alfalfa harvest was active on less than ten percent of the State's acreage. Alfalfa sheeping off was active.

Small grain producers are well underway with crop planting. Wheat growers are slightly behind last year's planting progress while barley planting is ahead of last year.

### **Vegetables, Fruit and Other Specialty Crops**

Last week producers in central Arizona shipped broccoli, cabbage, carrots, Chinese cabbage, greens, green onions, head lettuce, herbs, parsley, romaine lettuce, leaf lettuce and spinach. Western Arizona producers shipped broccoli, cabbage, cauliflower, celery, Chinese cabbage, endive, escarole, greens, green onions, herbs, miscellaneous Asian vegetables, parsley and spinach. Lettuce shipments included Boston, iceberg, leaf and romaine lettuces.

Producers in central and western Arizona shipped grapefruit, lemons, navel oranges and tangerines.

**Crop Condition** 

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	Very Poor Poor Fair		Fair	Good	Excellent		
	-Percent-						
Alfalfa	0	2	28	45	25		
Range and Pasture	6	22	21	38	13		

Crop Progress

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Year Avg				
	-Percent-							
Durum Wheat								
<ul><li>Planted</li></ul>	80	76	89	82				
Barley								
Planted	87	80	83	81				

## **Weather Summary**

Temperatures for the State were considerably above normal for the week ending January 22. Temperatures ranged from 4 degrees above normal at Douglas and Parker to 12 degrees above normal at Grand Canyon. The highest temperature of the week was 82 degrees at Casa Grande while the

lowest reading was Flagstaff at 15 degrees. Precipitation was reported at 3 of the 17 reporting stations. Willcox received the lowest amount of precipitation at 0.28 inches and Tucson received the highest amount of precipitation at 0.45 inches.

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Temperatures and Precipitation Data

January 16-22, 2005								
Station	Temperatures				Precipitation 2/			
	Avg.	Dep. 1/	High	Low	Past Week	Jan. 1 to Date	Normal to Date	
Canyon De Chelly	32	6	55	23	0.00	2.09	0.54	
Casa Grande	53	7	82	34	0.00	1.67	0.59	
Coolidge	52	7	81	32	0.00	0.78	0.66	
Douglas	46	4	70	27	0.34	1.78	0.67	
Flagstaff	30	7	55	15	0.00	3.40	1.54	
Gila Bend	55	5	79	39	0.00	1.05	0.44	
Grand Canyon	30	12	58	25	0.00	3.59	1.13	
Kingman	43	6	65	33	0.00	1.35	0.88	
Parker	54	4	77	41	0.00	1.63	0.65	
Payson	40	9	68	27	0.00	2.20	1.61	
Phoenix	56	8	81	44	0.00	1.27	0.65	
Prescott Airport	38	8	66	28	0.00	2.39	0.71	
Safford Ag Center	45	7	72	29	0.00	1.09	0.56	
Tucson	52	8	79	39	0.45	0.88	0.72	
Willcox	44	5	66	28	0.28	0.56	0.84	
Winslow	35	7	61	22	0.00	0.93	0.32	
Yuma	58	7	80	48	0.00	0.45	0.29	

<sup>1/</sup> Departure of temperature for reporting period from average temperature for that week.

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<sup>2/</sup> Daily precipitation totals 5 a.m. to 5 a.m. instead of midnight to midnight. Periods of record used in computing "average to date" for precipitation and "departure" for average temperatures may be obtained from National Weather Service, Phoenix.